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Serial No. 09/610,116 )  
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) TRANSCIEVERS USED IN A SWITCH  
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Sir:

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

I, Joseph A. Hook, hereby declare that:

I am a telecommunications engineer and have been employed by Marconi Communications, Inc. for over five years. Marconi Communications, Inc. is a related company to the assignee of the above-identified patent application.

The term G in regard to modes such as 40 G/80 G or 160 G/240 G fast refers to gigabits per second.

I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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